Allotment of imported edible oils for supply through P.D.S.

1149. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of edible oils to be imported during the current year and the total production of oil-seeds in the country during the year 1989-90;

(b) what share of the imported edible oils is likely to be allocated for the PDS and to the Vanaspati manufacturers;

(c) whether Government have taken any steps to increase the domestic production; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) The quantity of edible oil to be imported is a subject to constant review based on a number of factors like production of edible oil seeds, availability and prices of indigenous oil and the foreign exchange available for this purpose etc. As such it is not possible to indicate the quantity of edible oil to be imported during the current year. Based on the present assessment, the production of oilseeds during the oil-year 1989-90, is likely to be the order of 169 lakh tonnes.

(b) At present there is no proposal with the Government to supply imported edible oil to the vanaspati manufacturers. The oil imported is to be distributed wholly thrugh PDS.

(c) and (d) Two centrally sponsored projects, namely the National Oilseed Development Project (NDP) and Oilseeds Production Thrust Project (OPTP) are in operation in the important oioseed growing States for increasing production and yieuds of different oilseeds including soyabean. In the above two projects emphasis has been laid on the following areas:

- Demonstration of improved technology.
- Large scale production of foundation and certified seeds.
- Supply of farm implements.
- Distribution of seed, fertilizer, minikits, chemicals.
- Plant protection measures, etc.

Industrial Tribunals and Labour Courts in the country

1150. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Industrial Tribunals and Labour Courts presently functioning in each State;

(b) the number of industrial disputes pending in each of the Industrial Tribunals and Labour Courts as on date;

(c) the disputes pending for three, five and ten years, separately;

(d) what steps are being taken to dispose old disputes;

(e) whether there are any vacancies of presiding officers; if so, since when these are vacant anp the steps being taken to fill up the same;

(f) the numbe of new labour courts and industrial tribunals set up in each State during the Seventh Plan period ; and

(g) the number of new Industrial Tribunals and Labour Courts planned to be set up during the Eighth Plan period together with Locations thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) A statement showing the number of Labour Courts, Industrial Tribunals and Labour Court-cum-Industrial Tribunals as on 31-12-89 set up in the country by the State Governments and the Administration of Union Territories is given in Annexure [*See* Appendix CLIV, Annexure No. 56]

(b) Statewise data on disputes pending in each Industrial Tribunal and Labour Court are not available. A statement showing the figures of disputes pending as on 30-6-1989 in various States and Union Territories is given in Annexure [*See* Appendix CLIV, Annexure No.57] This statement also shows the pendency of cases in the Central Government Industrial Tribunals cum Labour Courts.

(c) The number of pendency of disputes for more than y 5 years in Industrial Tribunals and Labour Courts are not readily available. However, States have been requested earlier to provide information on disputes which are pending o. more than 3 years or more. A statement showing the information to the